UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OF In re Pater. Application of Atty Dkt. 461-75 C# NISHIMURA et al. Group Art Unit: 1764 Serial No. 09/444,298 Examiner: D. Rudnick November 22, 1999 (17, Filed: Date: August 19, 2002 HONEYCOMB STRUCTURAL BODY Title: Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231 Sir: RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon. Fees are attached as calculated below: Total effective claims after amendment minus highest number previously paid for 20 (at least 20) = \$ 18.00 \$ 0.00 Independent claims after amendment 2 minus highest number previously paid for 3 (at least 3) =Х \$ 84.00 \$ 0.00 If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$280.00 (ignore improper) 0.00 Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$400.00/2 months; \$920.00/3 months) \$ 110.00 Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ 110.00 \$ 0.00First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$740.00) \$ 0.00 Please enter the previously unentered . filed Submission attached Subtotal 110.00 If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract -\$ 0.00 Applicant claims "small entity" status.

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated April 19, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please substitute the attached Abstract for that originally filed.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 2, 4 and 6 without prejudice.

Please substitute the following amended claim(s) for corresponding claim(s)

previously presented. A copy of the amended claim(s) showing current revisions is

attached.

1. (Amended) A honeycomb structural body comprising a plurality of cells

formed by providing partition walls composed mainly of cordierite, which has the

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